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SUBJECT: ASSISTANT SECRETARY'S VISIT

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1. FOLLOWING ARE THE SUGGESTED ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE
STATEMENTS FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN'S VISIT TO
BRAZIL:

A. ARRIVAL STATEMENT IN RIO: AS YOU KNOW, MY
VISIT TO THIS GREAT COUNTRY DOES NOT OFFICIALLY BEGIN UNTIL
TOMORROW, WHEN I REACH BRASILIA. BUT HERE IN RIO DE JANEIRO,
I WANT TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SAY HOW HAPPY I AM THAT
MY SCHEDULE INCLUDES A VISIT TO BRAZIL, A COUNTRY OF
MAJOR IMPORTANCE TO THE UNITED STATES AND ONE WITH WHICH
WE HAVE TRADITIONALLY ENJOYED SUCH CLOSE AND ACTIVE RELATIONS.
THIS IS MY FIRST VISIT TO BRAZIL, BUT I HOPE TO BE ABLE TO
RETURN AND TO SPEND MORE TIME IN GETTING TO KNOW THE BEAUTY
OF RIO AND THE FRIENDLY AND HOSPITABLE CAIOCAS. (WE EXPECT
ASSISTANT SECRETARY WILL BE APPROACHED BY A NUMBER OF
REPORTERS DURING HIS LAYOVER IN RIO. CONSISTENT
WITH LANGUAGE OF FOREGOING STATEMENT, HE MAY WISH TO
DEFER COMMENT ON QUESTIONS RELATING TO VISIT AND
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HIS INTENTIONS BY TAKING NOTE OF FACT THAT HIS VISIT
WILL NOT REALLY BEGIN OFFICIALLY UNTIL HE REACHES
BRASILIA, THE CAPITAL.)

B. ARRIVAL STATEMENT IN BRASILIA: I AM VERY PLEASED
TO HAVE ARRIVED IN BRASILIA, TO BEGIN THE OFFICIAL
PART OF MY VISIT TO YOUR BEAUTIFUL CAPITAL. I LOOK

FORWARD TO MEETING AND CONSULTING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER AZEREDO DA SILVEIRA AND OTHER SENIOR BRAZILIAN OFFICIALS, AND TO HAVING CANDID, FRUITFUL CONVERSATIONS WITH THEM ON A BROAD RANGE OF SUBJECTS OF MUTUAL INTEREST TO OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS.

C. DEPARTURE STATEMENT IN BRASILIA: I ONLY REGRET THAT MY VISIT TO YOUR CAPITAL WAS JUST ONE FULL DAY. BUT IN THAT BRIEF TIME I HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AND EXCHANGE IDEAS WITH FOREIGN MINISTER SILVEIRA, WITH OTHER SENIOR BRAZILIAN OFFICIALS, AND WITH THE AMBASSADOR AND OTHER OFFICERS OF THE EMBASSY. I WILL BE IN CONTACT WITH ALL OF THEM IN THE MONTHS TO COME ON THE BROAD RANGE OF SUBJECTS OF INTEREST TO OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS. DESPITE ITS BREVITY, MY VISIT WAS A VERY USEFUL OCCASION FOR PERSONAL CONTACTS AND FOR LEARNING. I HAVE LEARNED MUCH THAT WILL BE HIGHLY USEFUL IN THE CONDUCT OF OUR BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP. I DEPART WITH THE HOPE OF RETURNING SOON TO BRAZIL--ON THAT OCCASION WITH MORE TIME TO SEE AND TO SAVOR ALL OF THE IMMENSITY AND THE VARIETY OF THIS GREAT COUNTRY.

2. DECONTROL ON CONCLUSION OF VISIT.
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